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Dear Steering Committee,

The time has come for me to pass the baton to the new team. I feel confident that Governor Brown and the newly appointed Deputy Secretary for BDCP Planning, Jerry Meral, will ensure bringing this program to its successful conclusion, not just to the point where a project can be submitted and permitted, but one that will live on for many years through adaptive management, implementation and continued engagement from all of you.

Although we're not sitting around the table, I can see each of your faces, know your perspectives and truly appreciate them all. I will be forever grateful for your willingness to share your ideas; openly, honestly and often.

For the last five years our time around that table has constructively contributed to an historic accomplishment, still to be completed. By our commitment to work together – through our differences, aimed at the larger goal – we have created momentum that I hope you will continue as the finish line comes into view. The essence of our progress is currently embedded in 1,700 pages of text, still in need of some key agreements and final touches, but nonetheless a foundation of work upon which ultimate success will be built. Then there is implementation – which will take continued commitment from all of you for many years to come.

Hopefully we've enhanced the way difficult issues are perceived, and changed the way complex ideas are worked out – not just to reach an agreement for the moment – but to formulate a new way of working together for the future.

Starting next month, my future is to find a new conduit through which I can continue to contribute. Paramount for me is the pursuit of a relationship between man and the land that can sustain our health

and wellbeing. I hope to stay in touch as we continue our effort together to leave California and the world better than we found it.

Jerry Meral looks forward to working with each of you and continuing the BDCP process. It will be exciting to see and hear of your progress as BDCP nears completion and I wish you all the best. Please know that my heart and soul are with you always, and especially in this final stretch.

Thank you for your continued commitment to this monumental endeavor.

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